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Docket No.: 1614.1047

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Hironori MORITO et al.

Serial No.: 09/537,342

Group Art Unit: 2624

Confirmation No.: 6601

Filed: March 29, 2000

Examiner: Tommy D. Lee

For: DATA CONVERTING APPARATUS, METHOD FOR CONVERTING DATA AND COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING MEDIUM RECORDED WITH A PROGRAM FOR CAUSING A COMPUTER TO CONVERT DATA

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed October 3, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on January 3, 2004. A Petition for a two-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to March 3, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted.

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